

# THE VOICE

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 3-24-19

WELCOME TO PORTAGE CHAPEL HILL

“You are received into this community of faith not despite who you are, but because of who you are.”

~Pastor Barry Petrucci

**STILL OPEN TO EVERYONE SINCE 1998!**

PORTAGE CHAPEL HILL

Lead Pastor - Barry Petrucci

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9am - 2pm  
(269) 327-6643 [www.pchum.org](http://www.pchum.org)

## MEETINGS OF THE CONGREGATION

- Sunday April 14 ~ 4:00pm- 5:30pm  
or
- Saturday April 27 ~ 10:30am-12:00pm

The Guidance Board and Pastor Barry Petrucci invite you to attend a general meeting of the congregation on Sunday, April 14 from 4:00pm – 5:30pm, or an identical session on Saturday, April 27 from 10:30am – 12:00pm. Childcare will be offered for each. The purpose of these forums is to revisit documents that form us as a congregation, recommend any changes, and affirm these statements of Mission, Vision, Values and Welcome. This is a time for us to seek clarity as the United Methodist Church struggles.

## HELPING HANDS FUND

The Helping Hand fund is utilized by the pastor to help folks within this faith community who have hit a financial rough spot. Maybe a medication, or heat bill, or car repair at a time between jobs or between checks. If you are able to give specifically for the Helping Hand Fund, you can do that by check to Chapel Hill with “Helping Hand” in the memo, or at [pchum.org/give](http://pchum.org/give).

## SEDER MEAL

- Thursday April 18 ~ 7:00pm ~ Fellowship Hall

What is a Seder Meal? The Seder is a Jewish festival meal marking the beginning of Passover. It retells the story of the Jewish exodus from Egyptian slavery. The word “Seder” means order, and during this meal there is an order to the entire meal, which includes readings, songs, stories, and special foods that carry meaning within themselves and tell the story of the exodus. For our Jewish friends it is a time when the entire family comes together to celebrate the beginning of Passover. This was the meal Jesus was sharing with friends at “The Last Supper”. Chapel Hill will have a symbolic Seder meal on Thursday April 18, at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to this special night, kids too! The meal will conclude with Communion. You must register by Monday April 15 at [pchum.org/sedermeal2019](http://pchum.org/sedermeal2019). Any questions can be directed to Tonya Boot at [tonyaboot@pchum.org](mailto:tonyaboot@pchum.org).

## DROP-IN CLASSES AND GROUPS

### SUNDAYS @ 10:00AM

Upper Room ~ Room #209

Traditional Bible study

FaithLink ~ Room #218

Discussion of current events

*This week: High Cost of College*

## FERMENTING FAITH

- Every Tuesday ~ 6:30pm - 8:00pm
- Lodo Company ~ 153 W. Centre Ave., Portage

Come in from the cold and warm up in a casual atmosphere to get to know each other while exploring questions of faith, life and culture. Food and drinks of choice are available off the menu (including awesome and affordable specials!). Soft drinks are provided without cost.

This week’s question: *What change in your life brought you the greatest fear?*

## ALL CHURCH BOOK STUDY

The all-church book study continues through April 7; it’s not too late to participate! The book is *Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times* by Adam Hamilton. Copies are still available for a suggested donation of \$15. Grab your book from the stack in the lobby and drop your donation in the offering basket with the memo marked book study. Need a group with which to connect? Check out the Sunday morning book study group, there is plenty of room! This group meets at 10:00am in room 116. If you would like a different group or have questions, contact Tonya Boot, Director of Discipleship at [tonyaboot@pchum.org](mailto:tonyaboot@pchum.org). See you there!

## KIDS’ TIME TRAINING

- Tuesday March 26 ~ 6:00pm

Kids’ Time is a 3-5 minute interpretation of the weekly message told to kids in an age appropriate way at the 9:00am service. Chapel Hill is hosting a training for anyone interested in being part of this special ministry. Join us Tuesday March 26 from 6:00-7:30pm for a Kids’ Time training and informational meeting. Send questions to Andrea Trantham at [andreatrantham@pchum.org](mailto:andreatrantham@pchum.org).

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

**April 14 Palm/Passion Sunday** in all 3 services

**April 18 Maundy Thursday** (Last Supper Remembrance)

Open Communion in the Chapel

6:30am - 8:00am and 11:30am - 1:00pm

Come, stay as long as you need

Passover Remembrance Seder Meal in the

Fellowship Hall 7:00pm (RSVP by April 15)

**April 19 Good Friday Service of Light and Darkness**

The journey to the cross and the final words of Jesus;

Shared service with Millwood UMC in Chapel Hill's

Sanctuary 7:00pm

**April 21 Easter Sunday**

6:45am Sunrise Service at Chapel Hill's Memorial Garden

8:00am Chapel Service

9:00am The Gathering

11:00am The Journey

## JOIN THE CHANCEL CHOIR!

Can't commit to the whole year? Do you want to celebrate Holy Week and the joy of Easter by singing in the choir?

Well, you can! Rehearsals are every Thursday at 7:00pm in the choir room (Room #211). See Fred Sang or any choir member for details.

## SEEKING FOOD PANTRY WORKERS

Put your faith in action by volunteering at Chapel Hill's food pantry. The pantry needs 3-4 new volunteers to work once a month for 3 hours on either Mondays or Tuesdays from 12:30pm-3:30pm. If you are interested please contact Russ O'Brian at [russ\\_obrian@yahoo.com](mailto:russ_obrian@yahoo.com) or 269-327-5823.

## OVER THE CHAPEL HILL GANG

A MONTHLY GATHERING OF RETIRED PERSONS

- Wednesday April 3, 11:45am
- Storypoint 7141 West Q Ave Kalamazoo 49009

Need a ride? Call: Doris Mettler (269-327-8272). Please bring personal care items for the food pantry.

## CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAYS @ 10:00AM & 11:00AM

Pre-K-4th Grade ~ Room #109

Club 56 (5th-6th Grade) ~ Room #121

## YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAYS @ 10:00AM

Confirmation Class (7th-8th Grade) ~ Room #114

9th Grade-12th Grade ~ Room #108

## SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP

7:00pm ~ Fellowship Hall

6th-12th Graders are invited for food, fun and fellowship.

## HOSANNA HOP

- Saturday, April 13 ~ 10:00am ~ Fellowship Hall

Celebrate the Lent season with the whole family at this year's Hosanna Hop (formerly the Easter Egg Hunt). This exciting new event will feature food, games, a photo booth, and of course an egg hunt. This is for all ages so we hope to see you and the whole family. Sign Up today at [pchum.org/hop](http://pchum.org/hop).

**Volunteers Needed!** To make this a successful hop 10-12 volunteers are needed. Please sign up at [pchum.org/hop](http://pchum.org/hop) or on Realm.

### Wish List for Hosanna Hop

Dum Dum suckers, Smarties, fun size Skittles, Hershey Kisses, small Tootsie rolls, Easter stickers, tattoos. Please drop off in the bin outside the Sanctuary.

## YOUTH GROUP IS GOING TO SKY ZONE!

Join us Sunday, March 24 @ 6:30pm at Sky Zone (5103 Portage Rd). Youth who are in grades 6-12 are welcome to come and bring your friends! Sign the online waver at [kalamazoostore.skyzone.com](http://kalamazoostore.skyzone.com)

Cost is just \$10 + \$3 for socks (if you don't already have a pair) Please do not pay sky zone directly, pay online at [pchum.org](http://pchum.org) or bring cash to Larry French at Sky Zone. Scholarships are available.

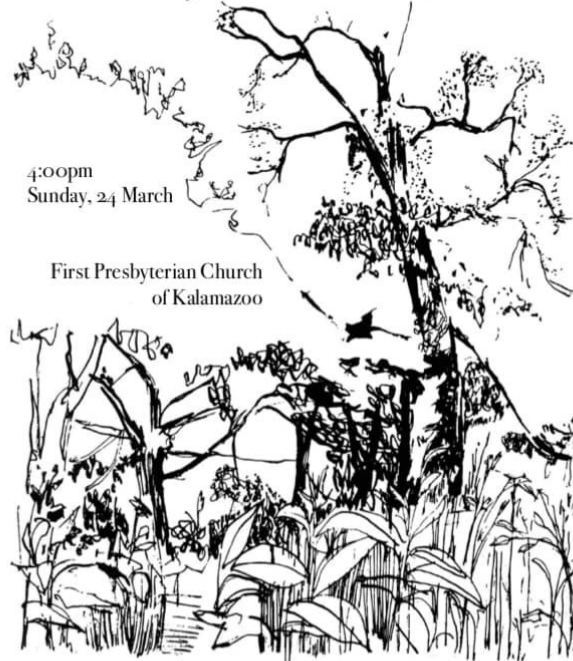
# YOUR FAITH THROUGH MUSIC!

RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

## Songs of Travel and other songs in english

4:00pm  
Sunday, 24 March

First Presbyterian Church  
of Kalamazoo



Michael Montgomery, baritone  
Christopher Gray, piano

## NEED SOMETHING?

### PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like to be lifted in prayer or added to the prayer chain, contact Shirley Freeman ([shirleytupperfreeman@gmail.com](mailto:shirleytupperfreeman@gmail.com), 269-381- 8208).

ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES AS WELL AS LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE. PLEASE SEE AN USHER.

### NAME TAGS FOR ALL

Please stop by the self-serve display in the lobby, located across from the Coffee Bar. Magnetic badges are available.

### WEEKLY EMAIL

Want to find out all the important events at Portage Chapel Hill? Sign Up for our weekly email. [www.pchum.org/home](http://www.pchum.org/home)



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